

Cypress Gardens Guided Morning Trip Sample Schedule*

9:15 a.m. Groups arrive at the park; group leader checks-in and pays in gift shop, picking up wristbands for all adults. Meanwhile, other adults unload the bus and line-up students in 1-3 groups with assigned chaperones; each group should have 15-25 people total. Use restrooms during this time, if necessary.

9:30 a.m. Park staff greets groups, discusses rules and activities, answers questions, and directs groups to their first program.

9:45-10:30 Group 1 in program in classroom (i.e. Herps Alive)
 Group 2 in program in nature center (i.e. From Worms to Wings)
 Group 3 in program outside (i.e. Swamp Safari)

Park staff switches groups at restrooms behind gift shop

10:30-11:15 Group 1 in program outside (i.e. Swamp Safari)
 Group 2 in program in classroom (i.e. Herps Alive)
 Group 3 in program in nature center (i.e. From Worms to Wings)

Park staff switches groups at restrooms behind gift shop

11:15-noon Group 1 in program in nature center (i.e. From Worms to Wings)
 Group 2 in program outside (i.e. Swamp Safari)
 Group 3 in program in classroom (i.e. Herps Alive)

Park staff no longer with groups; adults must supervise students at all times.

noon-12:30 Groups eat picnic lunch in shelters by play area

12:30-1:30 p.m. Groups tour the exhibits that they didn't see during their programs (i.e. Swamparium, Heritage Room, etc...) while 10 students at a time can visit the gift shop.

1:30 p.m. Groups depart park for bus trip back to school

This is just a sample to help you with your planning. You are welcome to stay longer on the park to walk the trails, etc..., we are open until 5 p.m.

*You do not need to assign a program schedule to your groups; we will do that when you arrive (according to the location of each program that you've chosen, the weather that day, and the possible late arrival of chaperones)